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Applicant: JOHNSON & JOHNSON CONSUMER COMPANIES, INC.

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For: Absorbent Tampon Providing Clean Digital Insertion

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box PCT  
Washington, DC 20231

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed 14 February 2008 having a response period extended until 14 March 2008.

**REMARKS**

Applicants submit herewith individual declarations as executed to comply with the PCT requirements. Applicant believes that the declarations address the Notification of Defective Response.

Applicant believes that the above is fully responsive to the Notification of Defective Response. If there are any additional matters, Applicants request an early notification.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/18/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/18/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/24/2007
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/16/2007
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/18/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/18/2006
- Assignment filed on 05/16/2007
- Priority Documents filed on 04/18/2006
- Power of Attorney filed on 05/16/2007
- Specification filed on 04/18/2006
- Claims filed on 04/18/2006
- Abstracts filed on 04/18/2006
- Drawings filed on 04/18/2006

Applicant's response filed 05/24/2007 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 01/08/2007 have not been completed.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - Declaration document appears to be a compilation of a number of separate declaration documents (the document includes on copy of the first page, one copy of the second page, two copies of page three and one copy of page four). "Where individual declarations are executed, they must be submitted as individual declarations rather than combined into one declaration." See MPEP 201.03 (II) (B)
- Surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 was not received.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:  
• **\$130** Surcharge.

**Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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